

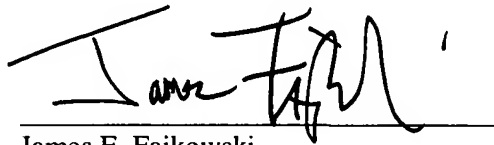
REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to add a priority claim to International Patent Application No. PCT/GB2004/000999, filed March 11, 2004, under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, which claims priority to Great Britain Patent Application No. 0306205.6, filed March 18, 2003.

Applicants herein cancel claims 26 through 47. Applicants also herein amend claims 3, 6-10, 13, 15-19, 22, 24-25, 50-54, 57, 59-61, 64-67, 69, 72-74, 77-82 and 84 to remove multiple dependencies. Applicants submit that these amendments introduce no new matter. Accordingly, following entry of this preliminary amendment, claims 1 through 25 and 48 through 86 will be pending in this application and presented for examination at this time.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this preliminary amendment before beginning examination of the above-identified patent application. Early favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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